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## General Butler Gives His Views on a Trolley Line.

Edgfield News.  
General Butler gave you given any attention to the matter of a Trolley Line to Edgfield?

"Yes. Two or three years ago I had a conference with some gentlemen in Augusta on the subject, and a number of us living on or near the line of the proposed route, took the trouble at the suggestion of our friends in Augusta who feel confident they could finance the enterprise, to get up a great deal of data, such for instance, as to the population of Edgfield and Augusta, and on each side of the proposed line of five miles.

"Also the quantity of agricultural and dairy products within the area; the amount of freight and passenger traffic approximately at least between the two points, etc.

"We submitted this information in the form of a report and our friends seemed well pleased with the showing. The next thing they wanted to know how the people, and business men of the town of Edgfield felt about it."

Did you make any canvass with a view of ascertaining the feeling?

"Yes a partial one of a personal character, and to our surprise found that some at least of the business men were of only not in favor of such trolley connection, but decidedly opposed to it on the ground among others that a trolley would make Augusta too convenient and accessible a market for the people of Edgfield. On reporting this fact to the financial people who had been considering it they of course abandoned it. They said if Edgfield was not able to help financially the town through its proper authorities might render its good offices, grant rights for terminal facilities, grant rights of way, etc., and otherwise give encouragement.

The route proposed was from North Augusta where connections could have been made with the Augusta trolley system and thereby avoid the necessity of bridging the Savannah river. Thence up the valley of the Savannah to the mouth of Big Stevens creek to a point near Republican church; thence to Edgfield by the most practicable route which would probably take in Rogers Cross Roads. I have ridden over the line repeatedly, and while I am not an engineer, I have a pretty good eye for topography and do not hesitate to say there are no engineering difficulties in the way.

"If we had the Trolley from Augusta there would be ten dollars spent in the town of Edgfield where there is none now."

Would you think it advisable to stop at Edgfield?

"No. The Newberry Herald and News is right, if we can get the line to Edgfield it is bound to go via Saluda to Newberry and possibly to Whitmires on the Sea Board Air Line.

"The people of a Saluda would help financially, as I am informed. The road would pay—for it passes through as fine a farming and healthy country as can be found in the South or anywhere else.

"It would bring into market excellent water powers on Big Stevens Creek, Big Turkey creek and Big Saluda and other minor streams, and open up as fine country as can be found in the South and I believe would pay from the beginning.

"Possibly the line might be extended from Edgfield to Greenwood if the Saluda and Newberry people failed to do their part."

## SALUDA OIL MILL SOLD.

## Property Bought by Stockholders for Ten Thousand Dollars.

News and Courier.

Saluda, July 2.—The Saluda Oil Mill was sold here yesterday to the highest bidder. It was bid off by Mr. M. T. Pitts for the stockholders at the upset price, \$10,000. The present stockholders who wish to do so can either retain their holdings or receive forty cents on the dollar for their stock, each being cared for under the sale. The paid up capital is \$25,000 dollars, and it is a very fine property under proper management.

## KILLING NEAR EDGEFIELD.

Edgfield Farmer, Charged With Murder, Spends but Brief Time in Jail—Record Case for Swift-ness.

The State.

Edgfield, July 2.—This morning E. T. Chappell, who lives on a farm, one mile below town, shot and killed George Griffin, an elderly negro tenant on his place.

The tale goes that Griffin had entered into a contract, or obligated himself not to hire any of his children off of the Chappell place until the latter's crop should be gathered. Griffin, it is said, broke this agreement by hiring one or more of his children off the place. This brought about a dispute in the field. Griffin, it is alleged, essayed to pick up a rock to hurl at Chappell and was shot and killed by the latter. Chappell surrendered to the sheriff and was placed in jail on a charge of murder.

## Bail Granted in Record Time.

Took the life of his fellow man at 9 o'clock in the morning; ordered released on bail at 9 o'clock at night of the same day. That is the first chapter in the Edgfield homicide case reported above.

Mr. J. Wm. Thurmond, attorney for E. T. Chappell, appeared before Judge Chas. G. Dantzer last night and made application for his release on bail. The evidence before the acting coroner, Dr. J. H. Carmichael, was submitted, together with an affidavit of the defendant, and at 9 o'clock the order of bail in the sum of \$1,000 was signed and promptly telephoned to Edgfield by Mr. Thurmond.

Solicitor Thurmond was notified by wire by Mr. Thurmond yesterday and requested to come to Columbia immediately, so that unnecessary delay might be avoided. He waived his right to three days' notice and came here and was present last night when the order was signed, agreeing to same.

## Affidavit of Defendant.

The affidavit of the defendant is as follows:

"Personally appeared before me E. T. Chappell, who being duly sworn, says: That he lives between the town of Trenton and Edgfield court house, about one mile from the court house, and is by occupation a farmer, and has lived in Edgfield county a number of years. That on the 2nd day of July, 1907, about 8:30 o'clock a. m., in deponent's field, deponent spoke to one of his croppers, Geo. Griffin, about allowing his children to work out in other people's farms while they were so badly needed at home and thereupon the said George Griffin became furious, and made at deponent with rocks, and after throwing a rock at deponent with great force and violence, he rushed on deponent, deponent all the time retreating and telling him to stop, but the said George Griffin, being a strong and stout negro, evidently thought that he had deponent in his power and would kill him, and deponent verily believes that he would have been killed but for the fact that he had his pistol in his pocket (he was near the rock quarry where a great many desperate negroes work, and he considered it even unsafe to go to the back part of his farm without his pistol, as they frequently pass through deponent's place), and as the said George Griffin continued to rush on deponent, and throw rocks at him, thereby endangering deponent's life, deponent drew his pistol and shot at him as quickly as possible, and as he shot the said George Griffin jumped up and fell. Deponent was only protecting himself and regrets very much the necessity of taking the life of the said George Griffin, and shot only once, and it was entirely the conduct of the said George Griffin that caused him to be shot, and during the year deponent has treated the said negro well, done all he could to provide for his comforts, but the said negro was desperate, and on said occasion seemed bent on killing deponent; and deponent shot him to defend himself, there being no other means of escape. There were no witnesses to this occurrence. Deponent had no malice against said

George Griffin.

"Sworn to and subscribed this 2nd day of July, 1907.

"E. T. Chappell.

"J. W. Thurmond (Att. S.).

"Notary Public."

Testimony Before Coroner.

In the testimony before the coroner Mariah Griffin, wife of George Griffin, Sr., who was killed, testified that on several occasions Mr. Chappell and her husband had had quarrels about hiring out the hands. Yesterday morning she said that she saw Mr. Chappell hurrying toward her husband in the field and she followed him. Before she arrived where they were she heard them quarreling and in a few minutes heard a pistol shot. Met Mr. Chappell, who had immediately started back to the house, and he said to her, "Mariah, I have killed George," and added that he had to kill him on account of his imprudence and because he drew a rock on him. She testified that he told her that one negro had beaten him in the field and he did not intend to let another do it. She also said that he threatened to kill her son.

Mariah was the nearest person to the killing. Her son, George Griffin, Jr., testified that he saw Mr. Chappell going toward where his father was working in the field but before he got in sight heard the pistol shot and saw Mr. Chappell going back toward his house.

Dr. J. H. Carmichael examined the dead man and testified that the ball entered the left eye, just below the ball, and penetrated the brain.

The coroner's jury rendered its verdict and Magistrate Branson immediately issued a warrant charging Chappell with murder.

This is probably the record case for swiftness in securing bail on a murder charge.

## REVIVAL AT PROSPERITY.

Dr. Orr Holding Interesting Services—News From a Prosperous Town.

Prosperity, July 2.—Dr. W. W. Orr, pastor of the A. R. P. church in Charlotte, has been holding services at this place. He began preaching on Friday night and will continue to do so through this week. Without doubt Dr. Orr is one of the best preachers who has been to this place in years. The people show their appreciation of his work by the full houses present at each service, and much good is expected to come from his work.

Messrs. S. S. Birge, R. C. Counts, J. Wheeler, W. W. Wheeler and J. R. Eilers have been elected as trustees for the coming year. The Prosperity Graded school has been made into a high school recently. Misses Leekie and Kohn have been re-elected as assistant teachers but the principal has not been selected as yet. Professor Counts has declined and a new man will be elected to take his place at an early date.

The Farmers Union of Newberry county will hold their meeting at St. Lukes church on Saturday, July 6th. This is to be an important meeting and a large crowd is expected. Several prominent men will speak that day in defense of the union. A bar-becue dinner will be served on the grounds.

Dr. Littlejohn of Union, but formerly of this place was in town a few days last week.

Engineer Schumpert and Mail Clerk Wheeler have been spending their vacations at home.

Col. H. C. Moseley, president of the Peoples National Bank and J. F. Browne, cashier at Bank of Prosperity, have returned from the State Bankers' convention at Charleston.

Mrs. J. W. Hartman died at the home of her son on last Friday. For months she has been unwell but up until a few days before her death, her case was not considered a serious one. She was buried on Saturday the exercises were conducted by Rev. Kreps, her pastor.—Greenville News.

## DELINQUENT TAX NOTICE.

The town treasurer has turned over to me the tax executions for delinquent taxes. Please see me at once and save further costs.

M. M. Buford,  
Sheriff.

## Farmers Union Bureau of Information

—Conducted by the—  
South Carolina Farmers' Educational and Co-Operation Union.

Communications intended for this department should be addressed to J. C. Stridling, Pendleton, S. C.

## Notice Farmers Union.

The representation of delegates to the South Carolina State Farmers Union to be held at Greenwood the 25th, 26th and 27th of July next will be as follows: One delegate at large from each County Union and one for every one hundred members or majority fraction thereof. Counties not having a county union, but having one or more local unions, will be entitled to one delegate from each local union, dues paid us.

All organizers whose commissions have not expired are delegates. No civil officer, county, state or national, can be a delegate.

This meeting is the annual meeting for the purpose of electing state officers, and transacting any other business for the good of the organization.

President Barret of the National Union and other prominent Union men from other states as well as a large number of prominent farmers of the state are expected to attend this meeting.

## Getting Something for Nothing.

Getting good practical farmers to quit their work to go out and work for the Farmers' Union for nothing is all that is in the way of spreading the Farmers Union organization all over our South land in a very short while.

This prevailing idea among farmers to get something for nothing or get cheap men to do cheap work instead of getting good men at good prices to do good work is the biggest stumbling block in the way of the progress of the farmers organization. It takes a big hook and a big bait to catch big fish and hold the game—and a small fly hook for minnows.

You cannot control the price of cotton unless you can control the men who hold the cotton.

The cotton grower can not prosper while others price all he sells and buys any more than he could pull himself out of mire by lifting at the straps of his boot levers.

## Help Yourself.

Don't quarrel with others about not helping the farmer when you are not trying to help yourself.

Some farmers do a lot of howling and no work because they are too poor—they think—to do anything else but howl the calamity howl.

The man with manhood and plenty of grit and energy in his make up need never ask others to give him room; about all this man needs is to let his natural talents to work with a vim and the world will give him plenty of room.

Why all this talk about organizing the farmer of today when our daddies and granddaddies lived better than we do without any organization among themselves? Because, our daddies and granddaddies produced almost everything they needed to eat and wear, upon their own farms excepting salt, sugar, iron and what little money they needed to pay taxes which for these small items was not very hard to get out of his surplus cotton and other crops and stock. And now we fool cotton growers have for these many years been trying to get rich buying all these things at the other fellow's prices, and paying for them with our cotton also at the other fellow's prices. We are compelled to organize before we can price our own cotton.

## The Farmer Declaring His Independence.

(From Weekly News, Denver, Colo.)  
The American farmer is about to declare his independence of the speculator of Wall Street and the movement has not been initiated a day too soon.

The farmer has worked and worried, and his profit has been small. The bad crop worries Were All For Him. He stood the loss Alone. The

speculator in life's necessities can do as well on a bad crop as on a good one.

We are glad to be able to tell our readers that the farmers have made up their minds to put an end to this system, and that they have gone to work intelligently.

Hitherto the farmer alone has had nothing whatever to say About The Price To Be Paid For What He Actually Produced.

Some man in Liverpool, some mill owner in the North, might settle price that the Southern cotton grower must take per bale of cotton. Some other man, thousands of miles away, could settle the price that the Western farmer should have for his grain.

The farmer alone Had nothing to say About It. The railroads decided what they should charge him. Banks decided what they should charge for the use of the money. Trusts decided on their extortions. Tariff builders decided what tax the farmer's wife and daughter should pay on their wearing apparel.

But The Farmer Was Forbidden To Have Any Say In Fixing The Price Of His Goods.

This is to end, the work has been already begun in the farmers' organizations. This newspaper congratulates the farmers, and greets as public benefactors the moving spirits in the great farmer's organizations.

The farmers of the country are the backbone of the country. They develop the nation's real wealth, which is the wealth of The Soil. They are entitled to a full share of that wealth and of the national prosperity. By combination, by insisting on fair prices for their cotton, their wheat and their other crops, And By Refusing To Sell The Non-Perishable Products Except for A Fair Price, they have already added tens of millions to the annual returns from the farms. They add tens and hundreds of millions more annually as their unions increase in power.

The isolated human being, whether he be farmer or mechanic, is at the mercy of every form of greed and cunning.

The farmer has too long plowed, harrowed, sown, reaped, sweated and fretted to build up bank accounts For Others; and pay interest on mortgages. We are glad that he has decided, By Union, to keep for himself and family, which means for the people of America, that to which they are entitled.

## BUREAU REPORT ON COTTON CROP.

Average Conditions as Reported on June 25, is 72.0.—Same Time In 1906 Was 83.3.

Washington, July 2.—The crop reporting board of the bureau of statistics of the department of agriculture finds from the reports of the correspondents and agents of the bureau that the average condition of cotton on June 25 was 72.0 as compared with 70.5 on May 25, 1907; 83.3 on June 25, 1906; 77.0 at the corresponding date in 1905, and a 10-year average of 82.2.

The following table shows the condition on June 25 of this year and of the preceding year, with the respective 10-year averages, also the condition on May 25, 1907:

	June 25, 1907	May 25, 1907	June 25, 10-year average
States 1907			
Va.,	65	80	88
N. C.,	72	80	85
S. C.,	77	77	82
Ga.,	78	74	82
Fla.,	83	80	77
Ala.,	68	65	81
Miss.,	67	65	88
La.,	66	61	87
Tex.,	72	70	82
Ark.,	67	65	86
Tenn.,	69	63	84
Mo.,	64	65	91
Okla.,	74	80	90
I. Ter.,	73	78	84
U. S.,	72.0	70.5	83.3

## WANTED.

A teacher for the Beth Eden school, Salary \$30 per month.

S. A. Jeter, chairman,  
T. B. Carlisle,  
J. B. Dominick,  
Trustees.

## "SOUTH CAROLINA PYTHIAN"

Board of Publication Held Meeting in Columbia Tuesday Night and Decided on Plans for K. of P. Journal.

The board of publication of "The South Carolina Pythian," the monthly publication of the Knights of Pythias authorized at the recent session of the grand lodge at Anderson, held its initial meeting last night at the Columbia hotel.

This board is composed of Elbert H. Aull of Newberry, chairman; D. C. Heyward of Columbia, M. Rutledge Rivers of Charleston, J. T. Arnold of Greenville and Jas. F. Williams of Columbia. All the members were present last night except Mr. Heyward, who is out of the city on business.

It was decided to issue 12,000 copies monthly of a 16-page journal, 9 1/2 by 12, printed on supercalendered paper. An advertisement appears in The State today asking for bids for printing and mailing the journal. The bids are to be sent to Mr. Aull at Newberry before the 15th of the month and are to be opened in Columbia on the night of the 15th at a meeting of the board to be held at the Columbia hotel.

As soon as the bids are in the contract for getting out the publication will be let and whoever is designated as managing editor will be expected to get busy right away, as it is planned to put the first issue out between the 1st and 15th of September.

By special invitation, Mr. Jas. A. Summersett, past grand chancellor and business manager of The Tri-State Odd Fellow, met with the board last night, and it was a right enthusiastic meeting. While the grand lodge has agreed to pay the expenses of issuing the publication and has ordered levied a per capita tax of 25 cents on the entire membership in South Carolina, the gentlemen who compose the board of publication are going to try to make the journal self-sustaining. They believe that it will be an advertising medium which will be sought after by the alert and enterprising business men in all parts of the state and by outside advertisers who desire to reach its particular circulation.

The launching of "The South Carolina Pythian" will mark a new era in Pythianism in this state and this great fraternity which has in the past several years recorded such marked increases in membership in South Carolina will undoubtedly grow more rapidly than ever before. By printing the journal on good supercalendered paper the management will be enabled to use half tone cuts and it is planned to have several in each number and make the publication one of such interest that every Pythian in the state will read it religiously.—The State, 3rd.

## Pythian Journal Committee Meets.

Messrs Aull of Newberry; Rivers, of Charleston; Williams, of Columbia, and Arnold, of Greenville, of the committee appointed by the Pythian Grand Lodge to arrange for issuing a Pythian publication, met to-night at the Columbia Hotel, but reached no conclusion on account of samples not being in with most of the bids. The committee expects to award the contract for the publication in a few days. Ex-Governor Heyward is a member of the committee, but could not be present on account of having left with his family today for a trip to Virginia. Col. Aull is himself a publisher, but he would not accept the contract at any figure on account of his being a member of the committee.—Columbia Cor. News and Courier.

## TEACHER WANTED.

The patrons of Union Academy, School District No. 32, will meet at the school house on Saturday, July 13, 1907, at one o'clock for the purpose of electing a teacher. Salary \$30 per month; term about six months. Applications may be filed with any one of the undersigned.

J. D. H. Kinard,  
Chairman.  
E. S. Franklin,  
M. C. Moore,  
Trustees.